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Don't forget the Turkey Supper Feb. 18th at 5:30 p.m. in the Carbon Scout Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Torrance are spending a few days in Calgary this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Milton of Calgary are at present visiting at the home of Mr. Jack Garrett.

A fire broke out on Friday, Jan. 15th in the chicken house on the Jim Gordon farm. All the chickens were saved and placed in another building with the help of their many kind neighbors.

Miss Lois McAlpine is spending a few days in Calgary.

Mrs. Sarah Cadman has returned after spending the past five months in the Old Country visiting relatives and friends.

Monday evening, Jan. 11th the U.G.G. held a banquet in Calgary in honor of eleven of its employees who have served 25 years as grain buyers for the Company. Among them was our own local agent, Mr. Wes Gillespie. They were each presented with a beautiful gold wrist watch. Congratulations, Mr. Gillespie.

Mrs. Frank Harris of Victoria was a holiday visitor at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Woods.

## A CURLING CAROL

Tune—The Lily of Laguna.  
Dedicated to Butch Leitch.  
It's no boring game  
This Grand Old Roaring Game.  
Old and Young, join in the fun.  
Who would ever leave it once begun.

Carbon's the place for it;  
We try to smile a bit,  
If we miss or hit  
At a jolly game of curling  
In a rink we're proud to own.  
—Ian MacLennan.

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## Swalwell

A meeting of F.U.A. Swalwell Local 1031 will be held in the hall on Tuesday, Jan. 26th, weather permitting. Meeting is of a general nature. All farmers are invited to attend.

Roads in the district are getting bad. Travelling for pleasure is not advisable.

D. J. Wilson motored to Sundre on Tuesday along with Mrs. L. Wilson and Mrs. M. Wilson. The roads are better out west than here.

The F.W.U.A. Swalwell Local will sponsor an old fashioned bingo on Saturday, Jan. 23rd in the Community Hall. All are invited. Weather permitting. Prizes. Starting time 8 o'clock.

The heat generated by the sun now is considered by Canadian scientists to be the result of nuclear reaction similar to the mechanism of the hydrogen bomb.

Virtually an unknown art in Canada a few years ago, ballet now is being studied by some 20,000 students in registered schools.

Recovery from tuberculosis depends on early diagnosis. Christmas Seal funds help to finance the Early Diagnosis Campaign held each year.

Every mile of railway track in Quebec has more than 800 people to support it. But every mile of track in Saskatchewan has fewer than 100 to support it.

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## HOG QUALITY IS DECLINING

There has been a definite increase in hog production in Alberta in the past year, but the quality of our hogs is declining. In 1941, 31.2 percent of the deliveries were in the Grade "A" class. In 1952 the percentage was only 22.8.

Quality can be kept up by using Advanced Registry breeding stock and use of Approved Market breeds. One of the greatest causes of low grades is marketing in an unfinished state. Pigs should be marketed between 200 and 210 lbs. for best carcass grading.

## RECOMMENDED VARIETIES

The Cereal Zonation Committee have recommended Chinook wheat for this area in 1954. Chinook was licensed for sale in 1952. It is highly resistant to wheat stem sawfly attack; has drought resistance and possesses good milling qualities. Incidentally it possesses a degree of resistance to hail, due to its solid stem. Unlike rescue, it is eligible for all Manitoba Northern grades

## RURAL ELECTRIFICATION SCHOOL

Don't forget the rural electrification School to be held at Three Hills commencing February 15th. Applicants should forward their names to this office as early as possible.

## FARM ELECTRIFICATION EXPANSION

Farm electrification had a record-breaking year in Alberta in 1953 when a total of 6,126 farms were connected to rural lines, according to Hon. N. A. Willmore, Minister of Industries and Labor.

Approximately 27,700 customers in Alberta now are being served by farm electrification. Of this total, 24,181 are farmers, while the remainder are non farm customers who are obtaining service from the farm electrification lines.

Mr. Willmore stated that plans have been made to serve an additional 5,000 farmers during '54 and each year thereafter until approximately 67,000 farms are receiving farm electrification. This total is approximately 80 percent of all farms in the province.

The Rural Electrification Revolving Fund Act, approved at the last session of the legislature has been a major factor in assisting the expansion of farm electrification. During 1953 the Alberta Power Commission issued approvals under this act covering 5,157 farms and for the construction of lines costing an estimated \$5,800,000.

"The Power Commission is directing its energies towards pushing farm electrification back into the more remote areas of the province", stated Mr. Willmore. "Good progress was made along these lines in 1953 and we hope much more will be done during the coming year".

Official statistics show that in the next four years the engineering courses of Canadian Universities will graduate only 50 percent of the engineering talent required to fill immediate needs of the Dominion.

## MacDONALD BRIER CURLING

The Carbon, Acme, Beiseker, Irricana McDonald Brier curling playoff held at Acme Wed. was won by Eldon Wray's Irricana rink when they defeated Dick Garrett's Carbon rink after each rink had won their first two games in the round robin play-off.

Canada today is second only to the United States as a producer of aluminium.

Have you answered your Christmas Seal letter yet?

More than six per cent of Canada's surface is freshwater.

The Beiseker Lions Club is again sponsoring a 1954 Ice Carnival under the direction of Mrs. Ruth (C. L.) Schmaltz. Mrs. Schmaltz has been doing this worthwhile work for many years and all due credit goes out to her for finding time to continue.

The Beiseker High School is sponsoring Sylvia Kroschel for Carnival Queen of the Beiseker Ice Carnival.

## CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the ladies of the Anglican W.A., Legion Auxiliary for the lovely flowers, and also the many friends who so kindly sent me cards while I was a patient in the Drumheller hospital.

Mrs. Gordon Hunt.

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## ATTENTION

All farmers interested in having their seed cleaned and treated before the rush are asked to contact the Manager of the ROSEBUD SEED CLEANING PLANT LTD.

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THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD prepares economic surveys, maps and industrial information bulletins regarding industrial possibilities of Alberta towns and cities; and distributes these to industrialists all over the world. All sections of the province are studied in detail, and industrial policies are designed to benefit the province as a whole.

THE ALBERTA RESEARCH COUNCIL conducts vitally important surveys into availabilities and size of industrial mineral deposits. The Council experiments with new mechanical and technical processes designed to aid industry.

PROSPERITY THROUGH INDUSTRY. Supporting Agriculture, which is the province's main economic activity, there are now 2,000 manufacturing plants with an annual payroll of \$60,000,000, and a production of \$500,000,000 worth of goods and materials each year.

To this excellent record of industrial achievement can be added such new plants as Canadian Chemical Co. Ltd., producing acetate, chemicals and filament yarns; Canadian Industries Limited producing polythene flakes; and the refinery of Sherritt-Gordon Ltd., for the recovery of nickel, copper and cobalt. Establishment of these and allied industries indicate a bright industrial future for Alberta and new prosperity for its people.

GOVERNMENT OF THE  
**PROVINCE OF ALBERTA**



## Funny and Otherwise

"How do you like your hair cut?" asked the barber. And the tired customer replied, "Off".

The prospective father-in-law was interviewing his daughter's young man. "And what are your prospects?" he inquired. "Oh, pretty good! Unless your daughter's misled me," was the reply.

When Robinson walked into his friend's office he found him looking very depressed. "What's the trouble?" he asked. "Oh, just my wife," replied the other sadly. "She's engaged a new secretary for me." "Well, what's wrong about that?" Is she a blonde or a brunette?" "He's bald."

The queue in the post office was getting longer and longer. At its head—before the grille with the "Pensions" label—an old woman was taking her time. She fumbled in her handbag; brought out first one and then another article and laid them on the counter. They made an imposing collection.

The pension book still hadn't come to light, but a little old man with a soldierly look about him could stand it no longer. "Hurry up, Ma," he called out. "This is a pay parade, not a kit inspection."

Tommy went to a party, and when he returned home he was questioned in detail about his behaviour.

"Well," said his mother, "I'm glad you didn't take a second helping of cake."

"I never take second helpings now," Tommy said, wise in the way of parties. "I take two pieces the first time the plate is handed round."

A guest at a dinner party, arriving late, found a seat reserved for him near the head of the table, where a goose was being carved.

"Ah," he exclaimed, "so I'm to sit next to the goose." Then, observing the lady on his left, he made haste to amend an awkward phrase. "I mean the roasted one, of course," he said.

A man was ordering a new suit. His tailor, however, told him it would not be ready for six weeks.

"Six weeks!" cried the customer. "Why the whole world was created in six days."

"True," said the tailor. "But have you taken a good look at it lately?"

In the office of the manager of a large department store a woman customer was complaining.

"I can't understand," she said, "why your shopwalker had to be so unreasonable. I asked him a simple question, but before he answered he wanted to know where I came from. Why must he know that?"

"What question did you ask him?" the manager inquired.

"Just a plain, simple question. I simply said, 'Is this the second turn to the right?'"

A woman in the midst of legal proceedings was complaining to a friend about the boring conferences she had to endure with lawyers.

"Oh," said her friend, "don't talk to me about them. I've had so much trouble over his will that sometimes I wish my husband hadn't died."

Patient: "I say, doctor, don't you think it would be a good idea if I packed up and went to a place where the climate is warmer?"

Doctor: "Hang it all! That's the very thing I've been trying to prevent!"

Two recruits were pegging down a tent; one was holding the pegs for the other to hit. Attempting to give a peg a hefty blow, the man with the mallet slipped and caught the other a heavy blow on the head.

Rising, the man with the bump whispered to the other: "Don't muck about. The sergeant's watching us!" 3070

## Teachers Help Students Earn Scholarships

SURREY, B.C.—Teachers in this centre 15 miles south of Vancouver have been singing, dancing and putting on amateur plays for the last three years to aid their students in obtaining higher education.

In 1949 the teachers met to discuss ways and means of helping their students and decided to stage plays and concerts in which only teachers would appear. Some were assigned to work on costumes, some to prepare stage properties and others to write script.

People turned out in large numbers and many parents saw their children's teacher for the first time.

With the revenue 15 students have received scholarships. To qualify a student must be outstanding as a scholar and a well-rounded individual.

### MENNONITE STEEPLE

WINNIPEG.—For the first time in history of the Canadian Mennonite Brethren church, a steeple has been raised on one of their churches. The 20-foot steeple was placed on the tower of the new Kelvin Street church in Elmwood, with aid of a 50-foot crane. Labor costs on the building were reduced by voluntary efforts of the congregation.

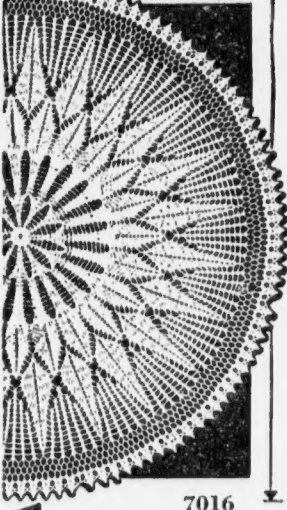
### MORE TEACHERS

WINNIPEG.—Manitoba now has 757 more teachers than it had six years ago, said Education Minister W. C. Miller. At the same time normal school enrolment this year has reached a record of 439. Miller said these records had been established through the provincial government's operational grant policy.

## Patterns

### New Table Fashion

62 INCHES



7016

by Alice Brooks

If you've admired the elegant, round tablecloth from afar—now, crochet your own! This star design is beginner-easy!

Crochet Pattern 7016: Make a 62-inch tablecloth of heavy cotton (string); a 40-inch centerpiece in No. 30 cotton (same directions).

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Household Arts Department, Prairie Publishers Limited, 60 Front Street W., Toronto.

Be sure to write plainly your Name, Address and Pattern Number.

## Medical Record Believed Set In Blood Replacement

WINNIPEG.—Dr. Bruce Chown, professor of pediatrics at the University of Manitoba, said he believes a medical record has been set by four Winnipeg children, whose blood was replaced to save them from the effects of a deadly agent in their mother's bloodstream.

The record was set when 11-day-old Theresa Ann Seepish, daughter of Mrs. Frank Seepish, had the operation performed. Three other Seepish children had previously undergone the same treatment, which is necessary because their RH positive blood, inherited from the father was being destroyed by antibodies in the RH negative blood of the mother.

The record was previously held by a family in Fort Garry, Man., who had their children treated.

### HELPFUL HUNTERS

SMITHERS, B.C.—Hunters Eddie Makow and Bill Martin found a cow moose entangled in a broken telephone line. They untangled the wire and the moose moved slowly back into the forest. The hunters were too busy to fire at a bull moose that crossed their path.

Today is yesterday's pupil.

## Ponoka, Alberta, Theatres Sold

J. Purnell and Sons, operators of theatres at Lacombe and Red Deer, will take over active operation of the two theatres at Ponoka, as well as the Ponoka Drive-In Theatre, it was announced this week.

The Lacombe theatre operators purchased H. Labrie's theatres in Ponoka outright, and will take over active ownership on April 1 of next year. — The Wetaskiwin Times.

After the diamond, the sapphire is the hardest of stones.



# THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

## General Statement

30th November, 1953

### ASSETS

Notes of and deposits with Bank of Canada . . . . .	\$ 226,402,343.82
Other cash and bank balances . . . . .	181,033,444.16
Notes of and cheques on other banks . . . . .	193,484,323.76
Government and other public securities, not exceeding market value . . . . .	972,141,264.96
Other bonds and stocks, not exceeding market value . . . . .	101,301,756.80
Call and short loans, fully secured . . . . .	149,280,473.79
Total quick assets . . . . .	\$1,823,643,607.29

Other loans and discounts, after full provision for bad and doubtful debts . . . . .	994,865,750.13
Bank premises . . . . .	20,871,991.94
Liabilities of customers under acceptances and letters of credit . . . . .	51,213,786.75
Other assets . . . . .	5,261,053.05
	<u>\$2,895,856,189.16</u>

### LIABILITIES

Notes in circulation . . . . .	\$ 83,335.04
Deposits . . . . .	2,734,644,076.93
Acceptances and letters of credit outstanding . . . . .	51,213,786.75
Other liabilities . . . . .	1,615,814.82
Total liabilities to the public . . . . .	\$2,787,557,013.54

Capital . . . . .	35,000,000.00
Reserve Fund . . . . .	70,000,000.00
Dividends payable . . . . .	1,783,800.83
Balance of Profit and Loss Account . . . . .	1,515,374.79
	<u>\$2,895,856,189.16</u>

### PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

Profits for the year ended 30th November, 1953, after making appropriations to Contingency Reserves, out of which full provision for bad and doubtful debts has been made . . . . .	\$18,952,608.56
Provision for depreciation of bank premises . . . . .	1,365,472.39
	<u>\$17,587,136.17</u>
Provision for income taxes . . . . .	8,952,000.00
	<u>\$ 8,635,136.17</u>
Dividends at the rate of \$1.20 per share . . . . .	4,200,000.00
Extra distribution at the rate of 20¢ per share . . . . .	4,900,000.00
Amount carried forward . . . . .	\$ 3,735,136.17
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 29th November, 1952 . . . . .	780,238.62
	<u>\$ 4,515,374.79</u>
Transferred to Reserve Fund . . . . .	3,000,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th November, 1953 . . . . .	<u>\$ 1,515,374.79</u>

JAMES MUIR,  
President

T. H. ATKINSON,  
General Manager

### PEGGY



—By Chuck Thurston



## Opportunities Still Plentiful In Manitoba

Industrial growth in Manitoba is being retarded by a misunderstanding of its value by Manitobans themselves, Hon. R. D. Turner, Minister of Industry and Commerce, told members of the Minnedosa Rotary club recently.

Not only businessmen and plant employees benefit from industrial and manufacturing expansion, Mr. Turner stated. It means as much to the farmer in increased local markets as it does to the newspapermen and teacher, he said.

Towns such as Minnedosa, where waterworks and electricity are available, will be the ones which reap benefits of decentralization and industrial development, the Minister predicted.

Quoting statistics, he stated that out of 184 manufacturing concerns in Canada established during 1952 and the first eight months of 1953, 105 came from the United States and 24 from England. These figures, he said, showed the need for attracting American capital for investment in Manitoba. Relaxed currency regulations in the United Kingdom should also result in more British capital coming to Manitoba, he added.

To most outsiders, Mr. Turner suggested, Canada consists only of the provinces of Ontario and Quebec. These two provinces do enjoy economic advantages, he said, but a complete study would reveal what Manitoba could offer industry as well. Initiative and enterprise were already making the province recognized beyond its borders, he stated.

One Winnipeg firm is now importing eastern aluminum for manufacture by a new process of aluminum pulleys, and shipping the finished product back east at competitive prices, Mr. Turner reported.

A group of farmers from Altona district with no industrial experience subscribed \$160,000 to start the first sunflower seed oil plant in the world. Today they have a debt-free plant worth \$1,000,000 and have paid \$170,000 in dividends.

In Boissevain, a typical agricultural community, a factory manufacturing lumber products from the west coast employs 50 people, he said.

The day of opportunity in Manitoba is not over, Mr. Turner emphasized. There are still great opportunities for young people as industrial development forges ahead.

## Helpful Hints

Cut your shortening bill by frying potatoes on a griddle rubbed with a raw potato instead of shortening.

To prevent baby from overturning the high chair, make a bag of any heavy material, place a flat iron, or similar heavy article in it, and suspend it by strings to the lower opposite rungs of the chair, with the bag in the center and one inch from the floor.

When preparing lettuce for the table, place it in a dry linen bag, or fold it in a cloth, and shake for a minute. It will absorb the moisture.

If felt weather stripping is tacked or pasted on with mastic, to a door or window that rattles, the annoyance will be stopped.

### Smile Of The Week

In a crowded street car a very thin lady who sat next to an extremely fat lady remarked: "They really should charge by weight." The fat lady replied: "But if they did, dearie, they couldn't afford to stop for some people."

**ANSWERS TO QUICK QUIZ**  
ANSWERS: 5. \$16.9 billion. 3. About 270,000. 1. Vancouver Island has six times the area of Prince Edward Island. 4. The fur trader, La Verendrye. 2. More than 8 million Canadians have hospital or medical insurance.

(Material supplied by the editors of Quick Canadian Facts, the handbook of facts about Canada.)

## Hereford Steer Stars in Livestock Exposition



The Grand Champion and happy owner



Corn Prince and Bean Queen

Many fine animals were shown at the International Livestock Exposition in Chicago, Ill., and the finest was "Lone Star," 1,050-pound Hereford steer that walked off with the Grand Champion ribbon. "Lone Star" made his owner, 18-year-old Sue White of Big Springs, Tex., very happy, for Sue left the show with \$1,345 in prizes and award money, plus \$20,100 which she received selling the prize steer after the contest. Photo at upper left shows Sue with Exposition President Jess Andrew, accepting the coveted ribbon for her steer, which she bought for \$189 and raised in only one year. Hats also went off for "Teddy," Junior Calf class blue ribbon winner belonging to Blaine Shoemaker, 16, of Aledo, Ill. Blaine's entries have won 15 ribbons in six years of competition in the annual show. At lower left are Corn Prince Jerry Joe of Shelbyville, Ind., and Bean Queen Carol Ann Ferden of Chesaning, Mich., winners in the junior crop contest.



A Blue Ribbon Winner

## Many Activities Scheduled For Manitoba Livestock Breeders

A list of events of particular interest to livestock breeders in Manitoba has been drawn up by J. H. Conner, Provincial Livestock Commissioner. Following is the schedule:

January 26, 27, 28, at Brandon—Annual meeting of the livestock associations. Includes the annual dinner for exhibitors and attendants at the Royal Winter Fair, sponsored by the Manitoba government.

February 16, 17, at Winnipeg—Manitoba Dairy Convention. Manitoba Artificial Cattle Breeders' association meets on the 16th; Manitoba Holstein Friesian Breeders, Jersey Breeders and Ayrshire Breeders clubs meet the morning of the 17th; the Manitoba Dairy Cattle Producers' association meet the afternoon of the 17th.

March 29, 30, 31 and April 1, 2, at Brandon—the Manitoba Winter Fair. Includes the annual

### Find Canadians Gabbier People

An annual world telephone survey based on a census recorded January 1 showed that around the world people are talking more and more. But, says the Bell Telephone Company, Canadians are the gabbiest of all where telephones are concerned. They talked themselves into a record of 1951 and maintained it last year by averaging 388.7 telephone calls per person. United States calls second with 382.1 per person and Iceland third with 360.1.

Americans still have more telephones—48,000,000 out of a world total of 84,000,000. Britain is next with nearly 6,000,000 telephones.

### WHOOPING COUGH

One of the most serious of the contagious respiratory ailments is whooping cough, a disease which kills more infants than diphtheria, scarlet fever and measles combined. Medical attention should be obtained directly a child shows any symptoms of this disease. The safest precaution is to have the child immunized against the disease early in life.

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## Quick Canadian Quiz

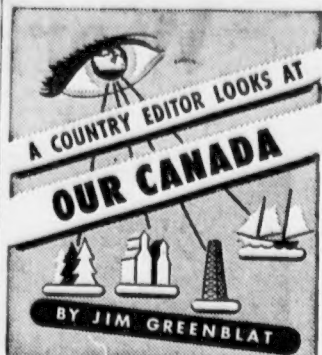
- Which has the greater area, Vancouver or Prince Edward Island?
- How many Canadians now have some form of hospital or medical insurance?
- Canada's population grows how much each year through natural increase—that is, the excess of births over deaths?
- Who built the first fort where the city of Winnipeg now stands?
- In 1939 goods made in Canadian factories had a gross value of \$3.4 billion. What was the value of the 1952 output?

Answers in Another Column

Drive With Care!



**MILLION-DOLLAR SMILE**—Harry Trotsek of Hialeah Race Track has a great deal to smile about. He's the third trainer in turf history whose horses have earned over a million dollars in one season. Trotsek holds a check representing the \$1,026,950 that recently crowned him "champion money-winning trainer of 1953." Bill Winfrey, Native Dancer's trainer, is second with winnings of \$985,356.



Canadiana: Bert Mullen of Walkerton, Ont., has just received a letter written by his late brother, dated March 13, 1928; point of origin and destination were eight miles apart . . . to try and stop waves of vandalism, the chief of police of Val d'Or, Que., announces they are going to enforce the curfew, making sure children are off the streets after eight o'clock in the evening . . . Michele Pete, Indian guide at Little Fort, B.C., had to tussle for his life with a wounded buck deer, and was only saved, near to complete exhaustion, when his hunting partner arrived and shot the animal . . . The Wetaskiwin, Alta., Times, points to a sign forbidding smoking or loitering on the post office premises, yet "Never has a rule been ignored so widely and consistently" . . . At Lachute, Que., three lemons, all exceeding one pound in weight have been cut from a small lemon tree planted by Lem W. Hammond about two years and a half ago . . . the Prince George (B.C.) Citizens think that despite and apart altogether from religious sentiments "Xmas" to describe the coming season is — "phonetically harsh, crude and meaningless" . . . How old was the duck asks Clarence Scott of Tompkins, Sask., who shot a banded duck, the band being 16 years old . . . On two occasions at Perth, Ont., the Courier notes, the truck collecting garbage in one week was set afire by hot ashes . . . at Waterloo, Ont., school board meeting, H. W. Wagner suggested that some thought should be given to bomb shelters in the schools, should do something more for civil defence "even if only for the psychological effect of making the people aware of the danger." . . . New Liskeard, Ont., council invoked a half-century old by-law to curb destruction of the lighting system by air rifles . . . running wild on the farm of Herb Illerbrun, concession 12, Carleton Township, Ont., a boar attacked two horses, has now been shipped to Toronto for slaughter . . . At Gananoque, Ont., cod liver oil capsules (some 60,000 costs \$396) will again be given Linklater public school students this term, board of education decided, but only on written consent of parents . . . At Penticton, B.C., following judgment against William Lode for about \$24,000 on a ranch near Oliver, when he appeared before Judge Colquhoun, acting for himself made reference to "thieving racketeers" took off his coat and hat, saying "take them too" left them on the desk and walked out.

• Kamloops, B.C., Sentinel: "We do not minimize the danger of Communism in Canada. Far from it. Anything that is done to stress that danger we favor. But we are unalterably opposed to any McCarthyism in this Dominion—an adjective so far as we're concerned—that defines a state of screaming hysteria, a ballyhoo, name-calling and wholesale controversy that would ill-behoove a nation such as ours which daily presents such a happy contrast to the country behind the Iron Curtain."

## Kitchen Meditations

By JANE DALE

### PLEASURE'S CALL!

Stack the dishes in the kitchen sink;  
Forget the unmade beds and the mending;  
Turn off the vacuum—put out the cat;  
Don't you know that housework's unending?

Slap on some lipstick; give your curls a brush;  
Grab the nearest coat and let's get going.  
The work will wait until you get back;  
Don't you know it's Van Johnson showing?

Forget about supper—a can of soup'll do.  
Never mind the cookies for the younger fry.  
Let's catch us some pleasure while we may;  
The work will be there when we die!



# World Happenings In Pictures

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**PROUDLY WEARING** the blue and white apron and false nose of an "assistant barber" in Neptune's court, The Duke of Edinburgh plays an active part in traditional crossing-the-line ceremonies as the liner Gothic steams past the Equator on the first sea stage of the Royal Couple's six-month Commonwealth tour. Although Queen Elizabeth and her husband were exempt from shellback initiation because they had crossed the line before, the Duke joined merrily in the time-honored rites. The Queen watched from the ship's bridge as King Neptune (left), held court. Neptune is the Duke's personal bodyguard, Inspector Frank Kelly.



**SELKIRK ENTERPRISE WINS COMPETITION**—George Krott, managing-editor of The Selkirk Enterprise, is presented with the editorial trophy by Mr. Cyril Rowden, western manager of Dominion Textile Ltd., donors of the award. The trophy has won in competition with over 60 other weekly newspapers in Manitoba for the best editorial page.



**WHEN CAR HITS TRAIN**—Above photos show results of collision between a car, driven by Peter Pawluk, 18, of Kirkness, Man., and a C.P.R. train when they met at a level crossing two miles east of Lockport at 5:45 p.m. Nov. 21. The driver of the car, the only occupant, died instantly.

—Photo courtesy of Selkirk Enterprise.



**NEAT FEET**—Alicia Markova, one of the greatest ballerinas of our time, appears graceful as a swan at this point of a new ballet, "Pas de Quatre." She is currently with the Marquis de Cuevas company in Paris.



**IT'S A WIDE AND WONDERFUL WORLD**—Vivian Yoneda (right), a 22-year-old Japanese-Canadian girl from Victoria and Regina, looks at the globe and dreams of the places she will see as a TCA stewardess in the near future. Miss Yoneda, shown here with Miss Kay Avery, stewardess instructress, starts to fly as a stewardess on the Montreal-Halifax run. One of the only two Japanese-Canadian girls to become TCA stewardesses, Miss Yoneda hopes some day to fly to the homeland of her people "for a visit—but I want to make my life in Canada."



**ACHIEVEMENT DAY AWARDS**—At left above Mr. Ernie Jackson, registered seed grower, of Eston, Sask., is shown presenting the Jackson Trophy to Owen Mickleborough for displaying the champion wheat samples at

the District 17 4H Club Achievement Day held at Eston recently. It was a big day for Owen as it was also his fifteenth birthday. At right Mr. Coulthard, of Kindersley, adjudicator of the public speaking competition pre-



—Photo courtesy of Kindersley Clarion, sent Bob Dale, of Brock, Sask., with the M. Johnson award for winning the public speaking event.



# The Sports Clinic

(An official department of Sports College)  
Conducted by Lloyd "Ace" Percival

## Aggressive Play Pays Off In Hockey

The individual player should always try to think aggressively. He should avoid at all costs the kind of mental attitude that causes the player to wait for opportunities to develop. The aggressive player who is always working to get into position will be able to set up many play opportunities. The player who just skates up and down, waiting for an opportunity to come his way, will often wait for a long time. Many of the so-called breaks of a game are merely situations that

developed because an individual player was being aggressive.

For example, when the player is skating up beside a puck-carrier, he should be working hard to get in position to take a pass and not just going along for the ride. By doing this, he will not only create scoring opportunities but will, at the very least, lighten the load of the puck-carrier by making the defence keep alert for any passing play. If the players coming up with the puck-carrier are passive, the defence can then concentrate on the puck-carrier.

Even though the players coming up the ice with the puck-carrier do not succeed in building up an opportunity, if they are seriously trying to keep active and act aggressively, they will force the defence to take them into consideration. Thus the puck-carrier will be able to make convincing fakes or set up individual plays.

## Keep Cool and Clear Quickly

In getting the puck away from the scoring zone as quickly as possible the defensive players should be sure to clear calmly and coolly. There should be no dilly-dallying or carrying the puck around near the goal. If a break-out play cannot be quickly set up, flip the puck out into the centre ice zone. Do not hang on to it, get checked or pulled into a held puck situation for a face-off. Wild-eyed clearing can cause a lot of trouble. Keep cool.

## Avoid Staleness in Sport

Staleness is considered to be more mental than physical by experts, although it does have many

physical reactions. The main cause is a boredom which is often unconscious. For example, when a person does the same thing over and over again in the same old way, his mind gets sick of it and throws out physical symptoms in order to force a change. This is why staleness is a problem in any activity.

The house wife suffers from it. It is a big problem to the school teacher and also to the business executive, who has to do the same kind of exacting work over and over again. Thus, in avoiding it, variety in the activity is very important. The more variety at a practice and in the training program, the less likelihood there is of the athlete becoming stale. This is, perhaps, the most important preventive measure.

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## ALERT RESCUER

COLEMAN, Alta.—A five-year-old boy was standing on the railway tracks frozen with fright as a diesel locomotive approached. Wayne McAlister, 19-year-old bridleman working 80 yards distant, rushed up the steep bank to snatch the boy to safety. 3070

## Royal Bank Closes Year With Record

Assets increase by \$204,399,315 to reach new peak for Canadian banking—deposits over \$2.7 billion mark—loans at record level—profits higher—Reserve Fund increased to \$70,000,000.

Notable gains in all departments of the bank's business are revealed in the annual statement of The Royal Bank of Canada issued today, new high records in the field of Canadian banking having been achieved under several significant headings. Covering the twelve months' period ending Nov. 30th, the balance sheet shows assets of \$2,895,856,189, a new high point for Canadian banks and an increase of \$204,399,315 over the previous year's total. Deposits are also substantially higher and total loans for the first time have passed the billion dollar mark.

Profits for the year are higher, permitting a further transfer of \$3,000,000 to the Reserve Fund. This is the fourth consecutive year in which transfers have been made. The Reserve Fund has been further increased by the transfer of \$12,000,000 from the bank's Contingency Reserves. With these additions the Reserve Fund now stands at \$70,000,000, representing an increase in that fund of \$15,000,000 as compared with a year ago.

Deposits are \$207,133,640 higher than the record figures of 1952 and have now reached the impressive totals of \$2,734,644,077. Interest-bearing deposits by the public again increased substantially and now total \$1,234,884,944, highest in the history of the bank. Public deposits not bearing interest rose by \$54,897,118 and now total \$1,240,424,365.

Total loans are shown at \$1,144,146,223, an increase of \$161,968,307 for the year. This increase is largely accounted for by the heavy volume of commercial loans in Canada, which increased by more than \$105 million, to reach a total of \$824,467,516. Call and short loans in Canada and elsewhere increased by \$52,450,039.

Indicative of the Royal Bank's traditional strength are cash assets of \$600,920,111, representing 21.56 per cent. of the bank's liabilities to the public; liquid assets amounting to \$1,823,643,607 are equal to 65.42 per cent. of the bank's public liabilities. Included in the bank's liquid assets are Dominion and provincial government securities totalling \$848,025,698.

Profits for the year amounted to \$18,952,608. From this amount \$1,365,472 has been set aside for depreciation of bank premises and \$8,952,000 for income taxes. After the above deductions net profit was \$8,635,136 as compared with \$7,129,085 in 1952. Out of net profits \$4,200,000 was paid in regular dividends and \$700,000 as an extra distribution to shareholders, leaving \$3,735,136 to be carried forward. From the resulting balance of \$4,515,375 in the Profit and Loss account \$3,000,000 has been transferred to the bank's Reserve Fund, leaving a balance of \$1,515,375.

The Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Head Office of the bank on Thursday, January 14th at 11 a.m.

The Profit and Loss figures and the major items in the balance sheet compared with the previous year are as follows:

## DECODED INTELLIGRAM

1—1951. 2—5½. 3—1st. 4—3. 5—Colonel. 6—Can. 7—South Carolina. 8—Herb. 9—3. 10—1917.

## WEEKLY BIBLE COMMENT

### CHRISTIANS UNITED IN BROTHERLY LOVE

Upon the foundation of Jesus Christ the early Christian church was built by two things—conversion and fellowship.

The first great in-gathering was on the Day of Pentecost, 50 days after the Passover, when Peter preached with such power and boldness that about three thousand were then converted and baptized.

This company of believers was soon increased.

But someone has said that no one goes to heaven alone, and the first immediate manifestation of this new life in conversion was an intense clinging of Christians to one another in a fellowship so deep and strong that at first they held all things in common.

The early Christian communism did not last long, just as most schemes of Christian communism have failed since.

If the Christians had all been

as noble as Barnabas, it might have been successful, but a liar and self-seeker like Ananias can make havoc of a noble experiment. In any case, Christianity places a strong value upon the individual soul, and upon the rightful independence of each life.

Paul understood this well. When he urged that Christians should bear one another's burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ, he also said that every man should bear his own burden.

That was good, sound democracy. The strength of democracy, of a church, of a Christian fellowship, is built upon the integrity and strength of the individual units.

But the strength of the early Christian church was in the way the individual Christians loved one another. It became a byword, marking them from the world in which they lived: "See how these Christians love one another."

Christian church. Can one say One speaks thus of the early as much for the Christian church of today?

When one looks at the great number of sincere Christians today, the answer to that question must be "yes." But one cannot help wishing there were more in that company of true Christians.

## Ten Word INTELLIGRAM

Check correct word.

1. Joe DiMaggio quit baseball in (1950) (1951).
2. A rod equals (5½) (6¼) yards.
3. The (1st) (3rd) constitutional amendment guarantees freedom of the press.
4. A tennis net should be (3) (4) feet high.
5. A (colonel) (captain) commands an army regiment.
6. Fish (can) (cannot) hear.
7. (South Carolina) (Virginia) was the first southern state to secede from the Union.
8. Salsify is an (herb) (attitude).
9. (3) (5) U. S. Presidents were assassinated.
10. America entered World War I in (1917) (1918).

Check your answers, scoring yourself 10 points for each correct choice. A score of 0-20 is poor; 30-60, average; 70-80, superior; 90-100, very superior.

Answers to be found in another column on this page

## Weekly Crossword Puzzle ::

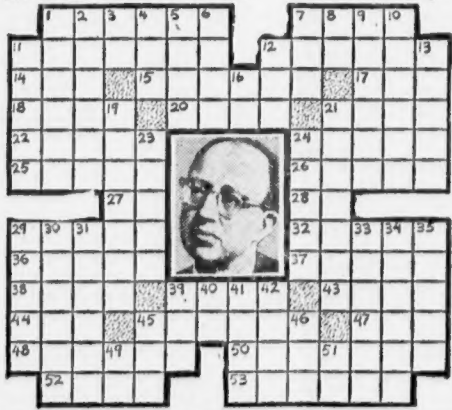
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| 1,7 Pictured U.S. writer                  | 1 Epic                |
| 11 Calmer                                 | 2 Elaborate           |
| 12 Light boats                            | 3 Us                  |
| 14 Vase                                   | 4 Literary scraps     |
| 15 Cossack chief                          | 5 Network             |
| 17 Chart                                  | 6 Pull                |
| 18 Rich soil                              | 7 Winnow              |
| 20 Pitcher                                | 8 Any                 |
| 21 Portuguese navigator                   | 9 Ethiopian           |
| 22 Hawk-like birds                        | 10 Harnessed together |
| 24 Greased                                | 11 Pouts              |
| 25 Odor                                   | 12 Vehicle            |
| 26 Move smoothly                          | 13 Digging tool       |
| 27 Area measure                           | 16 Pronoun            |
| 28 Low Latin (ab.)                        | 19 Threatens          |
| 29 Many of his novels — historical events |                       |
| 32 Come in                                |                       |
| 36 Make fresh                             |                       |
| 37 French river                           |                       |
| 38 Sorrowful cry                          |                       |
| 39 Watch ornaments                        |                       |
| 43 Factual                                |                       |
| 44 Stuff                                  |                       |
| 45 Courteous                              |                       |
| 47 Biblical boat                          |                       |
| 48 Stone tablets                          |                       |
| 50 Ridicules                              |                       |
| 52 Prince                                 |                       |
| 53 Cubic meters                           |                       |

### Here's the Answer



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|---------------|--------------------|
| 21 Fish trap  | 39 Enemy           |
| 23 Scatter    | 40 Chemical suffix |
| 24 Leers      | 41 Offers          |
| 29 Snare      | 42 Let it stand!   |
| 30 Pertain    | 45 Equidity        |
| 31 Fillet     | 46 Before          |
| 33 Harangue   | 49 Chinese city    |
| 34 Has effect | 51 Not (prefix)    |
| 35 Smokes     |                    |



## Ticklers

—By George



## VIRGIL



By Len Kleis

## PRISCILLA'S POP—Perils of Fatherhood

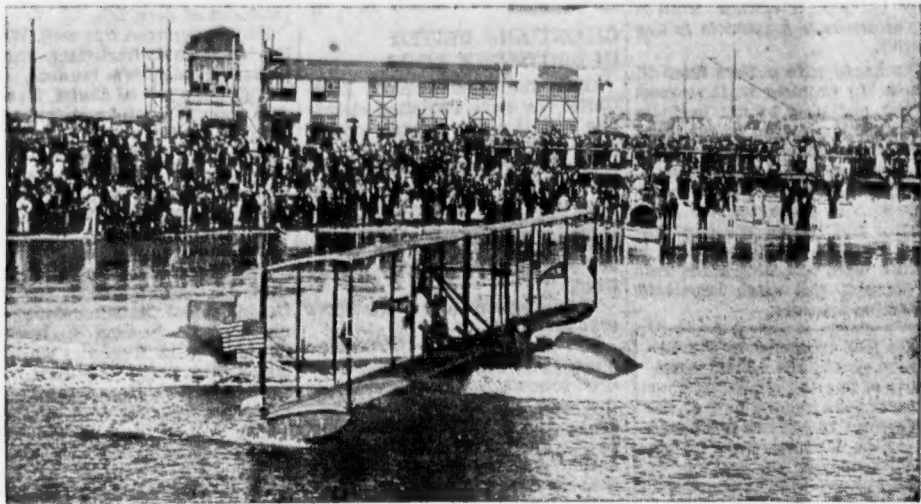
—By Al Vermeer



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# World's First Commercial Airline Had Paying Schedule 40 Years Ago



—Central Press Canadian.

Here is photo start of the first flight of the world's first commercial airline — the Benoist airboat knifing its way through St. Petersburg, Fla., waters just before takeoff on its historic trip to Tampa.

(By CPC)

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—Precisely at 10 o'clock, on the morning of Jan. 1, 1914, a flying boat, powered by a 75-horsepower engine, lifted from the water here, attained an altitude of 200 feet and, 23 minutes later, landed on the Hillsdale borough river that winds through the industrial city of Tampa, 21 miles away.

Regularly scheduled commercial aviation, not just alone on this continent but in the entire world, had begun.

For three months thereafter the St. Petersburg-Tampa Airboat Line, on a regular schedule, flew some 11,000 miles and carried 1,205 passengers without fatality or injury between the two cities.

Here is how that first airline came into being:

On Dec. 4, 1913, a man named P. E. Fansler arrived in St. Petersburg. He was a salesman and by nature a sporting enthusiast. Already he had corresponded with the Benoist Airboat Manufacturing company in St. Louis. A Benoist airboat had, in 1912, piloted by Tony Jannus, a young "daredevil" of his day, flown 2,000 miles down the Mississippi river.

The Benoist plane, piloted by Jannus, had only recently completed in the Wright Memorial races in Manhattan, and seemed sturdy and reliable. Fansler, noting the topography between St. Petersburg and Tampa, separated by a body of water, got an idea—why not an airline between the two cities?

At that time, before bridges had been built across Tampa bay, it was a 12-hour train trip between the two cities and an all-day round trip by boat. Business people responded to Fansler's proposition.

The late Noel Mitchell had by fortunate circumstances seen the Benoist plane perform in the Manhattan races. He interested his business colleagues in Fansler's idea. The city, frankly for publicity purposes, co-operated and matched the \$1,200 raised by Mitchell, and on Dec. 17, 1913, exactly 10 years to the day after the Wright brothers' flight at Kitty Hawk, N.C., a contract was signed between Benoist and the city of St. Petersburg.

Tony Jannus was, of course, the pilot on that first flight and continued as the head man. Subsequently two additional Benoist planes were added and Tony's

brother, Roger, became second pilot.

Tickets for the first trip were sold at auction and former Mayor A. C. Pheil, with a bid of \$400 won the privilege of being the line's first passenger. Mitchell with a bid of \$175, bought the ticket for the return flight. After that, tickets cost \$5 a trip and the freight rate was \$5 for 100 pounds.

The first express freight, flown on Jan. 2 to Tampa, was a photograph of the previous day's initial take-off made by The St. Petersburg Times. The print was being sent to an engraving plant, Tampa having no such facilities at that time.

Later The Times signed a contract to have copies of the newspaper delivered by the airboat. From Tampa came cut flowers for, strange at it now may seem, St. Petersburg, then a city of about 7,000, lacked a florist shop. Never was there any difficulty in obtaining passengers and the line actually made money.

Interesting factors developed. A federal inspector in Tampa wanted to know what an airplane was anyway; what regulations governed it? It was decided that the airboat came under the jurisdiction of the Steamboat Inspection bureau and hence had to be equipped like a motorboat, with life preservers, fire extinguisher and whistle!

Here, too, Benoist showed his remarkable foresight. He was happy the federal rather than the

state government had stepped in. He envisioned the day when planes would be crossing state boundaries as were trains and automobiles. Better one central authority governing regulations, than 48 separate ones.

This, then, is the story of the first, regularly-scheduled heavier-than-air freight and passenger line in the world. Its operation took the airplane out of the "circus class," removed it from the novelty category. Instead of a "stunt," the plane became a practical object, like any engine, which, is properly used, could be of service to mankind.

There were plans to continue the airline, but these never materialized, and the outbreak of World War I put an end to any thought of reviving it the following year. Tony Jannus himself started training Canadian military flyers. In 1916 he was in Eastern Europe training Russian flyers. Then, one day, his plane never returned from a trip over the Black sea.

Alone of the principal persons involved in establishing the St. Petersburg-Tampa Airboat Line, Jay Dee Smith, the company's mechanic, survives. He lives in retirement in St. Petersburg.

## WAS EXECUTED

William Tyndale, the Englishman who printed the first English version of the New Testament, in 1526, was executed for heresy Oct. 6, 1536, in Belgium.

## On The Side • By • E. V. Durling

A 48-year-old man advised the mayor of a small town he was prepared to marry a woman not over 24. The story was printed in the newspapers and in one day the man heard from over 200 females of 24 or under who expressed a willingness to marry him despite the fact he was not very good looking, not wealthy and 24 or more years older. It is strange when so many women are so eager to acquire matrimonial mates that those who have husbands don't treat them better.

### Tall Models, Short Buyers

Seventy per cent. of British women between 18 and 80 are five feet three or under. Yet, as is the case, in the U.S.A., all the models displaying feminine attire are five feet seven or over. Doesn't seem to be any sense to it.

### Everyone Travels By Rail

British railways carry twice as many passengers as United States railways. At times, the British railways carry nearly three million passengers a day.

### Some Judgment

What is the record for amount of a court judgment? See if you can top this one. In 1897 in San Jose, Calif., a man borrowed \$100 on the basis of 10 per cent. interest to be compounded annually. He left California and, on his return 24 years later, he was sued for the amount owed. Judge J. R. Weld awarded the plaintiff a judgment of \$304,840,332,972,685.16. The defendant went into bankruptcy. Holder of judgment collected \$19.69 for her claim.

### Humoring the Better Half

At theatrical first nights and other occasions where many present appear in formal attire, you frequently see a woman wearing an elaborate evening gown escorted by a man wearing a business suit. At times, it is not even a dark business suit but a gray or brown one. A couple so attired is a pathetic sight. No man who really loves his wife would do a thing like that to her. What's difficult about wearing a dinner suit? Shirts for such attire are now made very comfortable. A dinner suit is not expensive. Give your wife a break. Furnish her with the proper background when she gets all dolled up in her formal evening attire. It is an easy way to please her. Once more I say that no easy opportunity to please a woman should be overlooked by a husband or sweetheart.

### Strictly a German Problem

There are three million more unmarried women in Western Germany than unmarried men. The husbandless women are carrying on a "share the man" campaign. They want two or three women to share a husband. They feel that even having only one-half or one-third of a husband is better than living alone and not liking it. Naturally, wives are not enthusiastic about this idea. Some husbands favor it. How would your wife like to share you with some brown-eyed, honey-blond? How would you like it? Don't answer me. It's none of my business.

### Eight Times the Output

How many bricks is the average Canadian bricklayer now laying per day? Daily average for the British bricklayer is reported as being 500 bricks. Incidentally, a British inventor, Thomas Leyshown of Swansea, England, claims to have invented a new type of brick that will enable a bricklayer to lay eight times as many bricks daily as at present. That is, using the Leyshown brick, it would be possible to lay an average of 4,000 bricks a day!

## TRY AND STOP ME! By BENNETT CLEF

Rhyme received from Ed Pullman, poet laureate of topical ticklers:

"A dentist named Archibald Moss  
Fell in love with luscious Miss  
Ross.

But, he held in abhorrence her  
Christian name, Florence,  
So he renamed her his Dental  
Floss."

Ell Basse was asked on a quiz program if he didn't think a wife should have a say in picking her husband's wardrobe. "My own wife," he reflected, "certainly picks my clothes—one pocket at a time."

Humor is hard to define, but that doesn't stop many from trying. For instance, the brilliant Irish editor, Desmond MacCarthy asserts, "Humor is one way of coming to terms with what is painful or humiliating. If we cannot get the better of life, let us at least be free enough to laugh at it. That is the best way of honestly facing facts without being overwhelmed by them." Your correspondent says "Amen."

A boss gazes sternly at a trembling minion who had summoned the nerve to ask for a modest raise. "My boy," said the boss, "don't you know that love of money is the root of all evil?" "Yes, sir," agreed the minion, "and you ought to see my wife root for it!"

Fred Allen, pontificating for University students, grumbled, "I am often requested to define laughter. Noah Webster says, 'Laughter is a movement of the muscles of the face, especially the lips, with a peculiar expression of the eyes, indicating merriment.' Then there was Nietzsche who wrote, 'Man is the only animal that laughs; man alone has suffered so excruciatingly that he alone was compelled to invent laughter.' And what happened to Nietzsche after he made that remark? He died insane."

## JUST A PHASE

As Junior progresses from childhood to his years of discretion he goes through a series of phases which may be the joy or the despair of his parents. Most of his tactics present problems to his parents. But if their memories were better, they would recall that they went through the same processes of development not too many years ago. This might give them a better idea of why Junior does the things that appear so extraordinary to an adult. To help parents understand children and to offer suggestions on the best way of dealing with "growing-up" problems, child-training publications are available free of charge from local or provincial health departments.

## Handy Shelf

Convenience of your kitchen cabinet can be greatly enhanced by the simple process of installing 1/4-inch fir plywood dividers between the shelves.

Cut out a partial circle on the exposed edge so that platters, plates and pans can be stacked on edge and easily removed without having to dig them out from under a heavy stack of kitchen utensils or chinaware.

If the shelves themselves are removable they can be easily grooved to take the dividers. Otherwise they may be secured to small stringers of 1/4-inch by 1/4-inch materials fastened to the shelves with glue or nails.

## "JUST A SCRATCH"

The small cut or scratch which is looked upon as a minor matter not worth notice may, if neglected, become infected and cause a major injury. Any break in the skin, no matter how small, should be cleansed and covered with a sterile dressing, so that it may heal promptly and give no further trouble. A well-stocked first-aid kit is a very necessary item of equipment in every home, office, plant or car. Children playing out of doors are in danger of infection from the many cuts and scratches they acquire. Having children immunized against tetanus (lockjaw) is an excellent idea.

## HAS NO RELIGION

Japan has no state religion, and all faiths are tolerated. The principal forms of religion there are Shintoism, with 13 sects, and Buddhism, with 12 sects.

## Shelterbelts On Prairies Increasing

OTTAWA. — Since early settlement in the prairie provinces the need and benefits of trees have been recognized. Settlers were encouraged to plant trees for the protection of buildings, gardens, and livestock.

Not until the prolonged, disastrous drought of the 1930's when crop failures and severe soil drifting occurred, was much thought given to the protection of crops in cultivated fields. Only a few scattered individuals had specifically planted field shelter belts. In 1935 and 1936 four experimental field shelterbelt areas were established at Conquest and Aneroid, Sask., at Lyleton, Man., and at Porter Lake, Alta.

The following figures, independent of trees planted in experimental areas, show to what extent tree planting in field shelterbelts across the prairie region of Canada has increased. Trees listed have been distributed by Forest Nursery Stations located at Sutherland and Indian Head, Saskatchewan.

In 1947, 92 planters set out 377,000 trees in field shelterbelts, while in 1952, 677 planters set out 2,740,000 trees in field shelterbelts. The last figure is equivalent to nearly 790 miles of trees planted 18 inches apart in a single row.

So much for the evidence that interest in field shelterbelts has increased, says Superintendent John Walker, Forest Nursery Station, Indian Head, Sask. What are the main reasons for the increased interest and planting?

First, visitors to the experimental field shelterbelt areas have been impressed by the improved appearance of these areas. Benefits reported by planters have been encouraging. Some of these benefits are: roadside protection in winter; control of snow movement; it is practical to crop narrow strips of fields between hedges and roads along with the remainder; reduced wind velocity, which means lessened soil drifting and loss of soil moisture; by planting hedges along the face of a slope, danger of water erosion is minimized; higher crop yields may be expected.

Tree planting machines, now readily available, have helped speed up and simplify the planting job, and specialized cultivating equipment for field shelterbelts can now be brought into service.

Of course, as with most new agricultural developments, the planting of field shelterbelts has brought its own specific problems. Damage of field shelterbelts by weed sprays and dusts may be serious, uncontrolled stubble or other fires may destroy them, and they may be seriously injured by insects unless control measures are systematically applied. Livestock must not have unrestricted access to field shelterbelts. A very promising tree species for planting in field shelterbelts is Siberian elm, *Ulmus pumila*.—Department of Agriculture, Information Service, Ottawa.

## DON'T BANISH FRESH AIR

As soon as the cool breezes blow, most houses have their winter mufflers of weatherstripping and storm windows applied to ensure that cold air does not penetrate, but this can become too much of a good thing. Since most homes are kept at a fairly high temperature, many of them without any humidifying agent, indoors may not be the healthiest place. Drafts should be avoided of course, but fresh air and the necessary amount of moisture required by the human respiratory system are essential. Containers of water kept on the radiator or beside the heat outlet will help keep the air safely humid.

## OVERHAUL

A thorough medical checkup is a wise thing to have periodically. If there is a clean bill of health, the feeling of personal satisfaction and security is well worth the price. If a condition which needs treatment is discovered, it can usually be treated and cured before it becomes too firmly established. A checkup now and then is advisable for all ages, but especially so for those over forty.

## Drive With Care!

## :: GEMS OF THOUGHT ::

### LOVE

Love is to the moral nature what the sun is to the earth.  
—Honore de Balzac

Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it profiteth me nothing.—I Cor. 13:3

You can take nothing greater to the heathen world than the impress and the reflection of the Love of God upon your own character. That is the universal language.—Henry Drummond

All loves should be simply stepping-stones to the love of God.  
—Plato

Love makes obedience lighter than liberty.—William R. Alger

Love cannot be a mere abstraction, or goodness without activity and power.—Mary Baker Eddy



## OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY —

## One Way To Get There

By Winifred Churchill

"A CUP of coffee, quick," John Standish inched himself on a stool of the all-night coffee stand. The clock said midnight. Surely it must be later than that!

The waiter set out the steaming cup. "Where's your helper?" "Bill's sick. Couldn't wait for another man. Got this just before I pulled out." John pushed a soiled telegram across the counter. "Gee, I'm tired."

The waiter read, "Sandra in hospital complications hurry. Signed Mother."

"Racing the stork's no joke. Didn't expect him so soon." Standish gulped the drink. "Fill her up again. Maybe it'll wake me up."

"Say," exclaimed the waiter, "a message came for you. I'd forgotten." He went to the back and returned with a slip of paper on which someone had taken down a telegram read over the telephone.

Standish read it and whooped. "It's a boy and all well!" He threw out a coin and started for the door.

"What's the rush, Pop," cracked the waiter. "You cannot get into the hospital until visiting hours."

"I can get in O.K. It's a small hospital on the edge of town, right on my way in."

"The hospital on Midville? Why not go in the lower road? Save you a few miles. Turn left at the fork."

"Never tried it. Is it all right?" "Yes, when you haven't a load. Take it easy, Pop."

The night seemed endless. John had been tired before. Now the letdown from sheer relief almost was worse. But he kept awake by repeating over and over, "It's a boy and Sandra's all right."

Slowly the stars faded as the pale ghost of dawn crept out of the east. Midville Road was near, according to his reckoning. He should reach the city by seven-thirty. He was sure hungry. No solid foods had passed his lips in twelve hours, and the effects of the coffee had long worn off. The

day grew in brightness and warmth. About five miles more. How long each mile seemed. He told himself that it was now only a matter of minutes. Then he saw the familiar X: "Stop. Look. Listen. R.R." How many times that night had he crossed tracks? Counting them would have been a diversion; how sleepy he had become!

Then he heard the sound of an oncoming train; the roar of the engine, the ringing of the bell, the scream of the whistle. On and on it came. Could he cross the grade before it? Already he felt the hot breath of the engine. It was upon him. Too late to stop. He was going to get hit. He set his teeth and his brakes. Then the crash! Darkness! the train had won the race. He knew no more.

The bright sun was shining on him through a window. He moved slightly and felt a throb of pain. A hospital room. Then he remembered. He was still alive. He pressed the bell beside him. Why didn't someone come?

The door opened and a nurse entered. She carried a tiny bundle. She smiled. "Do you want to meet your son?" she asked.

He stared.

"And your wife is doing fine and happy that you will be out of the hospital before she is. It is not everyone who can come out of such a crash as you did, with only a few bruises. You must have fallen asleep when you crashed into the telephone pole near the hospital."

"It wasn't a telephone pole. I ran into a train."

The nurse smiled again. "Train! Why, Mr. Standish, that's an abandoned track. No train has passed over it in five years."

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## Valuable Animals Added To Herds Near Wainwright

WAINWRIGHT, Alta.—Mr. Bert Walker of Glenrock Hereford Farms, Heath, is to be congratulated on the valuable additions he has made to his fine herd in the purchase of two bulls and two females at the sale held at Olds on November 25th.

Three of these animals were from the herd of W. J. Edgar of Innisfail and one from the herd of Lougheed Bros. of Innisfail.

First purchase was Bright Zento Mixer Lrd 11G 346155, male, born March 28th, 1952, from Bright Mixer and Miss Zento Lrd 4D.

Second purchase was Miss B A Mixer Lrd 15G 346159, female, born April 11, 1952, from Bright Mixer and Waterton Bernice.

Third purchase Miss Bright Mixer Lrd 26G 361010, female, born June 3rd, 1952, from Bright Mixer and Ferrybank Rose.

Fourth purchase male, born May 18, 1953, from O H Royal Domino 3rd and Miss Stanway Mixer.

Mike Treflak of Edgerton also visited the sale and picked up a couple of females to add to his herd.

## Weekly Tip

## SOFT BRUSHES

You don't have to clean paint brushes if you are sure you'll be painting again in just a few days. Merely wrap the bristles in kitchen aluminum foil and they will stay soft for several days.

Cormorants, after catching a fish, must bring it to the surface before swallowing it. 3070

## THE TILLERS



—By Les Carroll

## Home Workshop



This old-fashioned knife and fork tray has many modern uses. They were originally made in pine, maple and walnut. It is best to use woods such as these as they take a fine smooth finish. The pattern gives actual size tracing diagrams for cutting out the pieces for the tray; also directions for making the utility stand with pull-out leaf, as shown at the lower right. Everything complete on pattern 281, price 35c. Readers interested in making other authentic Early American reproductions will want to send for packet containing an assortment of standard size patterns. Price of packet is \$1.50 postpaid.



These hanging racks require little space. They will even go on the back of a door or the inside of a cupboard or closet. They hold magazines and papers of all sizes, and are good for paper bags in the kitchen. If they are to be used in a prominent place they should be made of solid stock that takes a high finish. Make them of pine, maple or walnut and you will be proud to use them in any room. The actual-size cutting guides may be traced or pasted on to the wood for sawing. Pattern 206 is 35c and will be mailed the day order is received.

Home Workshop Pattern Service, Prairie Publishers Limited, 4433 West Fifth Avenue, Vancouver, B.C.

## Prospects Are That Good Times Will Continue In '54

Prospects for 1954 are that the generally firm trend of economic activity during 1953 will continue without serious interruption. Consumer purchases, which showed a significant increase early in 1953, are being maintained. Though exports declined somewhat in the early months of 1953 they improved later and held to levels of the comparable period of 1952. Continuing firm demand for agricultural products in the domestic market can be expected.

Prospects for wheat sales are reasonably good even though the world supply is larger. Sales of other commodities in overseas markets have undergone some adjustment but generally seem to be firmly based.

The demand for farm workers during 1954 is expected to be about the same as in 1953 and farm labor supply and demand to be in better balance.

Basic farm supplies, such as machinery, fertilizers, pesticides, twine and bags are expected to be ample during 1954 with prices about the same as those of 1953. Ammonium nitrate is the only material in short supply, but other nitrogen materials are available. The trend toward the increased use of higher analysis fertilizers is expected to continue.

World production of wheat during the 1953-54 crop year is forecast at about four per cent. below last year's record of 7.3 billion bushels. Basic to the current world wheat situation is the fact that Canadian farmers have harvested a total of 1,855 million bushels of wheat in the past three years, an average of 618 million bushels per year. This is nearly twice the prewar (1935-39) average production of 312 million bushels.

Total supplies of Canadian feed grains for 1953-54 are only slightly below last year's record. Decreases in production of the chief feed grains from the record or near-record levels, were almost offset by increased carryover stocks of all grains, which reached new peaks for barley and rye and were second highest for oats.

Increased supplies of beef, veal, mutton and lamb and smaller supplies of pork are in prospect for the marketing year ending September, 1954. Anticipated reduction in pork supplies will be more than offset by greater production of other meats and total supplies of all meats will likely be about

four per cent. above the 1952-53 figure.

Anticipated high level of domestic demand in 1954 will limit the surplus of cattle and calves in spite of larger volume of marketings. In 1953-54 Canada's surplus of cattle and calves may amount to about 230,000 head.

Milk production in 1954 is expected to exceed the record of 17.6 billion pounds set in 1954, and may approximate 18 million pounds. The relationship between prices of butter fat and beef is expected to remain favorable to dairying as in recent months, and should therefore be as great an incentive to use cows for milk production as in 1953.

Indications are that during 1954 there will be a continuing strong domestic market for eggs and poultry with an increase in egg consumption comparable to the increase in population and an increase in consumption of poultry greater than the relative population rise.

The outlook for 1954 is for a sizeable increase in the production of apples and grapes and for a moderate increase in the production of apricots, cherries, pears, plums and prunes and strawberries. This forecast is contingent on weather and factors such as insects and diseases.

Combined production of Registered and Certified cereal, flax, corn, bean, pea and soybean seeds in 1953 was a little larger than in 1952. Production of wheat was the highest in a number of years and that of soybean was much the largest ever recorded. Supplies are adequate for domestic needs.

Seed supplies of alfalfa, alsike, red and sweet clover will be more than adequate for domestic needs in 1954, with the possible exception of double cut or early type of red clover. Any shortage of this kind could be met by a greater use of other kinds such as alsike, alfalfa and timothy.

## Fashions



by Anne Adams

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## Do You Know That ...

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**PLAIN TRUTH ABOUT RECESSIONS**, completely ignored by almost everybody in Canada and the U.S. is that they perform a useful and necessary function; should be allowed to do their job without hysterical intervention by politicians. Facts of the matter are succinctly stated by Guaranty Trust Co. of New York in its current Survey:

**BUSINESS RECESSIONS** do not just happen. A recession is not an unfortunate accident, but a corrective process due to and necessitated by the excesses and maladjustments that have arisen under boom conditions. It reflects a need for readjustments, and its function is to effect such readjustments. Measures to avert it, even if temporarily successful would at the same time prevent the needed corrections, prolong and aggravate the unsound conditions, and store up more trouble for the future.

It is generally agreed that booms generate unsound tendencies. For one reason or another,

businessmen and investors misjudge future markets and embark upon projects that prove unprofitable. Some businesses over-expand, and some commodities and services are over-produced. The schedule of production somehow gets out of adjustment to the real wants of consumers.

The real task of readjustment after a boom is not performed by government, but by business itself under the pressure of contracting markets and tightening competition. Deadwood is cut out. Inventories are reduced. Unsound projects are abandoned. Price and cost relationships are realigned. Operating inefficiencies in labor and management are eliminated or diminished. The quality of goods and services is improved. Inflated values are written down to realistic levels. Consumers' wants are re-examined. The "lost art" of salesmanship is re-discovered.

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#### Plant Food Losses

Farmers of Western Canada over the past few years have enjoyed a series of bountiful harvests. No wonder many of us have gained the impression that our Western soils are inexhaustible. Let's take a look at the grim facts.

**Plant Food Losses.** The bumper crop of 1952, totalled some 1,291,000 bushels of wheat, oats and barley. This crop removed from the soil some 620,000 tons of Nitrogen, 295,000 tons of Phosphorus, and 146,000 tons of Potash. In addition it is conservatively estimated that the annual loss of plant food through erosion is equal to twice that removed by the growing crop. Then considering Nitrogen and Phosphorus only (we are well supplied with Potash), we lost in 1952 through cropping and erosion 1,860,000 tons of Nitrogen and \$5,000 tons of Phosphorus.

**Exhausting Soil Resources.** Let's assess our losses of essential plant food in another way. The top three feet of a good soil contains about 7,000 lbs. of Nitrogen and 3,000 lbs. of Phosphorus per acre. Therefore the amount of Nitrogen and Phosphorus removed by cropping and lost to erosion in 1952 represents the total amount of these elements contained in some 480,000 acres of good soil. In plain words, we are using up each year through cropping and wasteful erosion an amount of plant food equivalent to that contained in almost a half million acres of good soil.

**Plant Food Returned.** In 1952, a total of approximately 16,500 tons of nitrogen, 40,000 tons of phosphate and 26 tons of potash were returned in the form of commercial fertilizer. When these figures are compared with the total amounts used by the crop and lost through erosion in 1952 a serious deficit is revealed.

**Plan for the Future.** It is time for us to consider the use of crop rotations and commercial fertilizer to maintain soil fertility.

Our soils have been good to us. Let us be good to them.

administered by the government may seem to offer an easy way out. Inflation or "reflation" however, is no substitute for readjustment. It merely prolongs the maladjustments and strengthens the forces tending to cause recession. The final outcome must be either a truly disastrous business slump or a chronic inflation. And chronic inflation, as many countries have learned to their cost, is no solution for anything, not even for business recessions.

#### WHEAT VARIETIES COMPARED

Tests over the past five years by cerealists of the Experimental Farms Service at Lethbridge provide useful information on performance in Southern Alberta of four generally grown wheat varieties. In co-operation with A. D. Smith of the Division of Illustration stations, Thatcher, Rescue, Chinook and Saunders were grown at the Experimental Station at Lethbridge and at ten substations over a wide area. Thatcher and Saunders were grown also at two other substations. In charge of this work are Drs. M. N. Grant and H. McKenzie of the Cereal Breeding Laboratory.

They report that Thatcher with its wide adaptability is a high yielder in Southern Alberta. Chinook appears best suited to the dry brown soils of Zone 1. Its ability to produce a higher bushel weight under dry conditions and its sawfly resistance should make it a valuable variety in Zone 1, the research men say.

Rescue also possesses sawfly resistance but is ineligible for grades above No. 3 Manitoba

Northern because of its slightly inferior milling and baking characteristics. It yields somewhat less than Chinook in Zone 1 but sometimes yields more on the dark brown soils in Zone 2. In the south, Saunders seems best suited to the black soils of Zone 3A where its yield response is similar to that of Thatcher.

Stations where these tests were conducted include Acadia Valley, Bindloss, Foremost, Lomond and Whittla in Zone 1; Drumheller, Lethbridge and Nobleford in Zone 2A; Craigmyle in Zone 2B; Claresholm and High River in Zone 2C, and Cardston and Pincher Creek in Zone 3A.

A map of Alberta denoting these zones, together with other pertinent information, can be found in the circular "Varieties of Grain for Alberta". Prepared by the Alberta Varietal Zonation Committee, copies of this circular may be obtained from District Agriculturists or from Experimental Stations throughout the province.

#### THE KEY TO SUCCESS

Good management is the key to success in any business venture. This is certainly true where there are a number of enterprises on a single farm, and records, according to R. L. Pharis, Supervisor of Crop Improvement, Alta. Dept. of Agriculture, are the basis of good management; records which tell the crops a field grew last year, two years or five years ago.

Field records indicating the crops and varieties grown, approximate yield, weed infestation, cultural practices and spec-

ial problems for a particular season can be very useful in planning next year's cropping procedure. Carried even further, cost of production and returns from different crops can be compared. With the help of such records a farmer is able to work out a definite program of cropping and cultural practices that will return greater profit and will give greater stability to the farm enterprise.

Information that will aid you in planning your 1954 crop production is available upon request to the Field Crops Branch, Alberta Department of Agriculture, Edmonton.

Foreign travel expenditures in Canada in 1952 amounted to an estimated \$275,000,000 against an all-time peak of \$336,000,000 spent by Canadian travellers in other countries.

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